

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the Summary of Invention section on page 2, line 20 through page 4, line 19 with the following amended section:

--The present invention has been made to solve the above conventional problems, and has its object to provide a communication method and a communicant apparatus for performing smooth facsimile data transmission in both of facsimile communication via the Internet and facsimile communication without the Internet.

According to the present invention, the foregoing object is attained by providing a communication method for selectively performing real time facsimile communication via the Internet and facsimile communication without the Internet, wherein a communication parameter is changed based on whether the facsimile communication via the Internet or the facsimile communication without the Internet is to be performed, the parameter being allowable delay time.

~~It is preferable that the parameter be a transmission speed for starting the communication or allowable delay time.~~ It is [[also]] preferable that the communication method further comprises a detection step of detecting whether the facsimile communication is performed via the Internet or the facsimile communication without the Internet. Further, it is preferable that the communication method further comprises a determination step of determining whether the facsimile communication via the Internet or the facsimile communication without the Internet is to be performed, based on information inputted by a user.

Preferably, in the communication method, at the determination step, upon call

origination, it is determined whether the facsimile communication via the Internet or the facsimile communication without the Internet is to be performed, based on the call destination.

Preferably, in the communication method, at the determination step, upon reception of incoming call, it is determined whether the facsimile communication via the Internet or the facsimile communication without the Internet is to be performed, based on the originator telephone number information.

Further, according to the present invention, the foregoing object is attained by providing a communication apparatus capable of real time facsimile communication via the Internet, comprising: communication unit, adapted to perform communication; and change changing means for changing a communication parameter used by said communication unit, based on whether the real time facsimile communication via the internet or facsimile communication without the Internet is ~~of the present~~ to be performed.

Other features and advantages of the present invention will be apparent from the following description taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which like reference characters designate the same name or similar parts throughout the figures thereof. --